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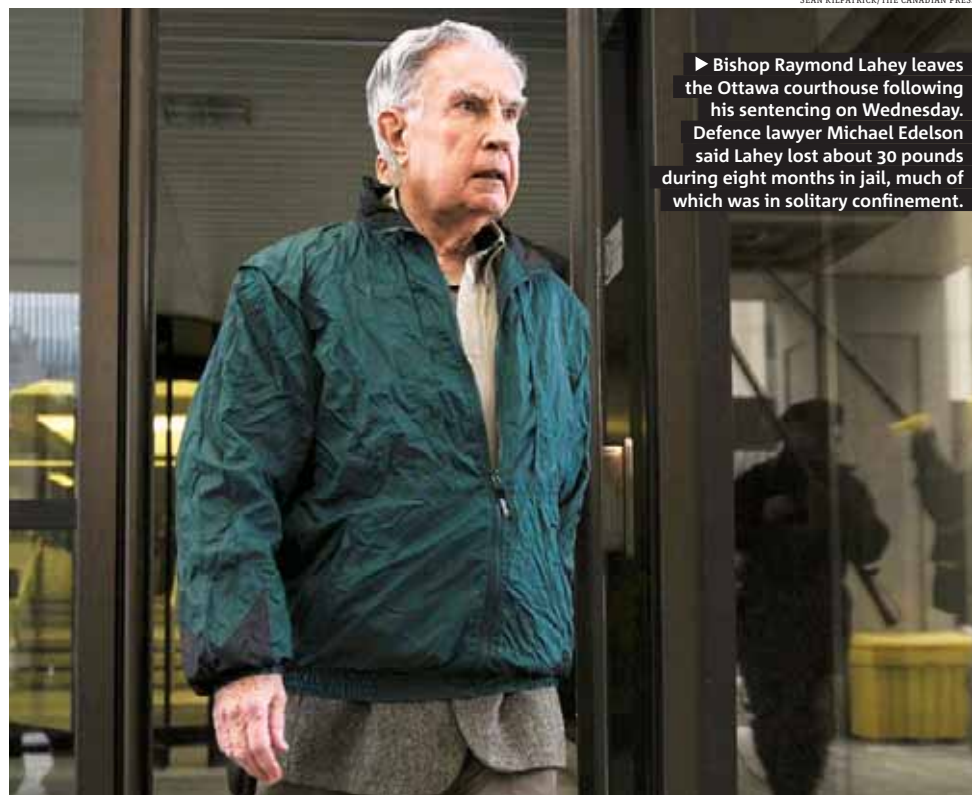


News worth
sharing.

Bishop sex offender set free

- ▶ 'You're not a pedophile, you're a f---in' demon,' one man yelled to Lahey in courtroom as sentencing ended
- ▶ Former Antigonish bishop also under stringent probation rules, including submitting to a DNA sample

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▶ Bishop Raymond Lahey leaves the Ottawa courthouse following his sentencing on Wednesday. Defence lawyer Michael Edelson said Lahey lost about 30 pounds during eight months in jail, much of which was in solitary confinement.



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METRO CANADA IN OTTAWA

A disgraced Roman Catholic bishop caught at the Ottawa airport with hundreds of child-porn images on his laptop was released Wednesday after receiving a sentence of 15 months — only eight of which he actually served behind bars.

Raymond Lahey, 71, formerly bishop of Antigonish, pleaded guilty eight months ago to possession of child pornography for the purposes of importation and asked to begin serving his sentence immediately.

Yesterday, Justice Kent Kirkland sentenced him to 15 months, but because he got two-for-one credit for "pre-sentencing" time served, Lahey was freed. He will be on probation for two years and registered as a sex offender for 20 years.

His lawyer, Michael Edelson, had recommended the minimum one-year sentence, but said Kirkland imposed "exactly the right sentence." The jail time, Edelson added, is just the beginning.

"The sentencing in virtually every one of these cases essentially marks a person for life ... and as

Diocese responds

The diocese of Antigonish released a written statement after the sentencing.

"This entire matter has caused a great deal of hurt, disappointment and anger within and outside of our diocese," Bishop Brian Joseph Dunn said in the statement.

"When (church leaders) commit serious moral failures, this can have a significant impact on the faith community." THE CANADIAN PRESS

a result, you become a social pariah," he said.

Prosecutors had asked for 18 to 22 months, but were also satisfied with the sentence.

"It'll serve to announce to others that harsh sentences are in place for those who commit such crimes, sentences which are also meted out to ensure the protection of our children," said Crown prosecutor David Elhadad.

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Online child porn may take place of abuse: Witness

JESSICA SMITH
IN OTTAWA

The key witness in Bishop Raymond Lahey's sentencing is working on research he believes will show that sexual deviants who consume child pornography are less likely to abuse children now that child porn has gone online.

Dr. John Bradford, head of the division of forensic psychiatry of the University of Ottawa, has testified as an expert in numerous criminal trials and recently testified as a defence witness at Lahey's sentencing hearing in December.

His conclusion that Lahey was not a risk to children and, in fact, not a pedophile, despite possessing images and videos of children and teens, was a key part of the defence argument for a lesser sentence.

There are common misconceptions about child pornography, Bradford said in an exclusive interview with Metro shortly after the sentencing hearing.

Bradford is unequivocal that child pornography is extremely harmful to the children who are abused in it, but said the assumption that sexual deviants who look at child porn usually also molest children isn't true — which he testified about in the Lahey case.

"If you look at the majority of people who are arrested for child pornography, the majority of them have never touched a child," said Bradford. "They may fall into this category of people who are sexually deviant, where erotica or pornography provides an outlet where they don't victimize anybody."

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► Bishop Raymond Lahey is arrested in a car Wednesday.

Rahman denies writing 'burn in hellfire' email

► Crown claims he lied about his financial situation at the time of infant's death ► Testimony of accused heads into third day on Thursday

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► Ashiqur Rahman, left, talks with his lawyer Don Murray at Nova Scotia Supreme Court in Halifax this week. Rahman has pleaded not guilty to manslaughter and aggravated assault in the July 2009 death of seven-week-old Aurora Breakthrough.



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Ashiqur Rahman denied on Wednesday authoring an email telling his former partner, Jane Gomes, that she will "burn in hellfire on earth."

The 26-year-old is charged with manslaughter in the death of the couple's infant daughter, Aurora Breakthrough, in 2009.

Rahman took the stand at the Nova Scotia Supreme Court in Halifax where he was cross-examined by Crown attorney Mark Heerema for a second day.

Heerema presented a series of emails from July

2008, where Gomes asks why she should return to Rahman.

"You already start to hate me, I can feel it," reads the email from Gomes.



► Jane Gomes

"Feel it more, bitch. You'll burn in hellfire on earth," reads the reply.

Rahman admitted to penning another, longer email to Gomes from the same account shortly later, but denied writing the two-sentence response.

The money issue

► Contrary to the Crown's assertions, Ashiqur Rahman said money was not a concern at the time of Aurora's birth.

► Rahman said his parents — both wealthy doctors in Bangladesh — had arranged to support him while he developed his company.

Rahman and Gomes were living in a one-room apartment on Gottingen Street on July 23, 2009, when their seven-week-old daughter was taken to hospital after she stopped breathing. The infant had

suffered massive brain damage. She was taken off life support the next day.

On Tuesday, Rahman said Gomes handled Aurora's care almost exclusively while he focused on his business, Last Future.

Last Future had a wide variety of short- and long-term goals and ideas, from providing an online lottery to super-fast space travel to conquering biological death.

Rahman maintained he never assaulted Gomes or their daughter. Gomes testified in December that Rahman assaulted her and, in one instance, grabbed Aurora by the hands and feet and shook her repeatedly.

Shooting suspect remains on the lam

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Police are chasing leads, but have not yet arrested a young man charged in the New Year's Day shooting at a Dartmouth bus terminal.

Police are looking for Jerrell Ervin Shephard, 18, but warned the public he is considered armed and dangerous and should not

be approached.

He is also facing several weapons-related charges.

"We're following up on a number of possibilities, but we aren't limiting our search to any one area," said Const. Brian Palmeter with Halifax Regional Police on Wednesday.

Kyle Gallupe, 16, from Porters Lake was shot but is recovering.

His mother, Denise, told CTV the shooting resulted from an argument over a cheap earring. The shooter reportedly wanted to buy the earring from Gallupe.

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► Jerrell Ervin Shephard

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► Bob Chiasson, co-owner of Monkey's Paw Curio Shop, poses for a photo on Wednesday inside the Plan B Merchants co-op on Gottingen Street.

Melting ice killing off harp seals, study says

A new scientific study suggests harp seals in the North Atlantic are dying at high rates because of warming waters and a steady decline of sea ice in their traditional breeding grounds.

The research by scientists at Duke University in North Carolina tracked the decrease of sea ice due to global warming and the mortality of harp seals from 1992 to 2010.

David Johnston, a marine scientist who co-wrote the report, said it's the first study to show that seasonal ice cover in the four seal breeding areas of North America has receded by as much as six per cent per decade.

"There has been a string of light ice years recently and we're starting to be concerned that if ice continues to decline, this might have longer-term effects on the harp-seal population," Johnston said from his office in Beaufort, N.C.

"I'm concerned that these animals are in for a tough road with what we're seeing with climate change."

The authors warned they could see the disappearance of a year's entire seal-pup herd due to a lack of ice, where females traditionally go to give birth every February and March. Pups usually drown if born in the water or on thin, unstable ice.

The study was funded by the International Fund for Animal Welfare, which has lobbied against the annual Canadian seal hunt. Johnston said the participation of the animal-rights group didn't affect the objectivity of the report, which was peer-reviewed.

He said researchers compared seal-mortality rates to satellite images of sea ice in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, a critical area for seal breeding. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Seal-pup deaths

► It's estimated that up to 80 per cent of the seal pups died last year as a result of meagre and thin ice, according to the federal Fisheries Department.

Creating better sales together

► Mercantile co-op doing booming business since it opened on Gottingen Street in October ► Opportunity is 'a million times better' for one co-op participant



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Plan A: Pay high retail overhead costs or work the flea markets. Plan B: Plan B Merchants Co-operative.

A unique co-operative of merchants and artisans opened last fall on Gottingen Street.

Bob Chiasson, antiques seller and owner of Monkey Paw Curio Shop, said there are few options for really small-time entre-

preneurs.

"Individually, none of us could afford to be operating on a brick-and-mortar street-level operation like we have," he said. "It's just together we can make it happen."

Basically, they added up the costs involved with leasing the space and expenses, and divided it by square foot to determine the rent. For example, a small cubby rents for \$30 a month.

There are more than 25 members of the co-op and

more are interested, Chiasson said.

All the members pitch in and work in the store a day or two a week.

"It's like a retail operation without the horrible, overburdening costs that face most small businesses," he said.

"A lot of people really like the idea. We're almost like the anti-corporate department store."

Stacy Lepage, co-owner of Toxic Blossom, said her customer base has significantly increased, and

"I just had the world's largest taxidermy goldfish in the shop and it was five and a half pounds."

BOB CHIASSON

sales have gone up a lot since she joined the co-op. She used to sell her Japanese street-inspired clothing at flea markets and craft shows.

"Jeez," she said. "It's a

million times better."

Rent is cheaper and she has a permanent location where regular customers can always find her clothing, she said.

While there are plenty of housing and artisan co-ops, Chiasson said, it appears this is the only mercantile co-op in the city.

And what's sold in the store is even more unique than the operation itself.

There's Steampunk jewelry, vintage clothes and vinyl, to name a few.

Smith to visit Halifax again

Kevin Smith, part three.

The iconic filmmaker loves Halifax, according to Twitter, and is coming back again after two sold-out shows in November and December.

Sonic Concerts announced Wednesday Smith



► Kevin Smith

will perform with his longtime friend and business partner Scott Mosier on Feb. 3 at 8 p.m. at the Spatz Theatre inside Citadel High School.

After his first show in Halifax in November, Smith tweeted: "Last night's Halifax show was an instant top 10 favourite for me. I love you, Nova Scotia!"

This time Smith and Mosier will celebrate their 200th Smodcast, a long-running podcast spanning several years. The pair met in film school and collaborated on several successful movies including Mallrats and Clerks.

Tickets range from \$54.50 to \$64.50 and go on sale on Friday at sonicconcerts.com.

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Man charged in fatal car crash from 2010

RCMP have charged a 28-year-old Nova Scotia man in connection with a fatal accident in 2010.

Police say Jeffrey Chabassol is charged with impaired operation of a motor vehicle causing death and driving with a blood-alcohol level above the legal limit.

In June 2010, the Trenton resident's vehicle rolled over, killing 26-

year-old passenger Justin MacDonald.

The accident occurred on Highway 348 in Sunnybrae.

Police say Chabassol is scheduled to appear in court next month.

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Oval, Scene



► Skaters take a spin around the Emera Oval on Wednesday despite the chilly weather. It was one of the coldest days this winter, with temperatures well below freezing.

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Cold diggers take to the ice

B.C. firm has inside track on NewPage

▶ **Mill shut down in September, leaving 600 employees out of work, 400 forest contractors affected**

The idled NewPage paper mill in Cape Breton has been tentatively sold to a company in British Columbia that intends to reopen the operation, but the sale won't be approved until certain conditions are met.

Ernst & Young, the court-appointed monitor overseeing the sale, announced Wednesday that Pacific West Commercial Corp. had edged out three other bidders, but few other details were released.

Ernst & Young said it was uncertain when the sale may be finalized and it did not disclose the value of Pacific West's bid. However, it confirmed that NewPage will return to court on Jan. 18 to request that the sale process be extended to

March 30.

The sale also requires approval from the province's Supreme Court, which agreed last year to grant NewPage protection from its creditors until Jan. 20.

Charlie Parker, the province's natural resources minister, said Pacific West will enter into

further negotiations with the provincial NDP government, the province's electric utility and the union representing workers at the mill in Point Tupper.

"Our government is very pleased that the successful bidder is one that is looking

to keep the mill operating in a sustainable way and will help maintain hundreds of jobs in rural Nova Scotia," he told a news conference.

Parker said Pacific West is already negotiating with Nova Scotia Power Inc., the province's privately owned electric utility, to secure a new deal on electricity rates. The mill is one of the province's largest consumers of electricity.

As well, he said the bidder has to negotiate new leases with the province to gain access to timber on Crown land, and the sale won't be final until a settlement is reached with the union that represents the mill's workers.

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News in brief

Break-ins likely connected: Cops

NEW YEAR'S DAY. Police are looking for thieves who broke into two houses in Bedford this week. The break-ins happened on Central Street and in the

100 block of Rocky Lake Drive between 7 p.m. on New Year's Day and 7 a.m. on Jan. 2. Jewellery and personal electronics were stolen. Anyone with information can contact police at 490-5016 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

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Charges laid in 2004 deaths

NEW BRUNSWICK. A 41-year-old man has been charged in connection with two deaths eight years ago. Jessie Jo Finnamore and Jeffrey John Shannon were found dead in the Bath, N.B., area in 2004. The RCMP say they charged Robert Winmill on Tuesday with two counts of being an accessory after the fact to murder.

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MacKay marries rights activist

► Wedding was closely held secret, though defence minister's parents reportedly attended

There are fewer swinging bachelors in Ottawa these days as two of the country's more high-profile cabinet ministers have tied the knot with their girlfriends in separate, low-key ceremonies.

Defence Minister Peter MacKay quietly married his girlfriend Nazanin Afshin-Jam at a private, civil ceremony in Mexico on Wednesday, while Heritage Minister James Moore and girlfriend Courtney Payne tied the knot on Dec. 29.

MacKay, whose love life has been the subject of often breathless media attention, released a statement on his constituency website announcing the nuptials, which took place in front of family and friends.

"Since coming into my life many of you have met Nazanin on her many visits to Nova Scotia. She is the most important person in my life and over the coming months, Nazanin and I look forward to spending more

time at home in Central Nova and sharing our happiness with all of you," said MacKay.

The website crashed late Wednesday, presumably from the amount of traffic.

Friends say MacKay popped the question last summer.

MacKay's new wife holds degrees in international relations and political science.

Afshin-Jam, 32, is also a human rights activist and president of Stop Child Executions, which tries to draw attention to the young people who are on death row in Iran. The new bride was born in Iran, but fled Tehran with her family following the 1979 Islamic revolution and immigrated to North Vancouver, B.C.

MacKay, who has been often voted the sexiest male MP in polls by the Parliamentary newspaper The Hill Times, has been engaged once before but never married.

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► Peter MacKay arrives with Nazanin Afshin-Jam for a cabinet swearing-in ceremony at Rideau Hall last May.

L.A. arson suspect put on suicide watch

The German man charged with allegedly setting a string of fires across Los Angeles on New Year's weekend has been put on suicide watch, a law-enforcement official said Wednesday.

Harry Burkhardt, 24, has been in custody since Monday, when he was arrested in Hollywood.

Burkhardt's mother Dorothee Burkhardt said in court Tuesday that her son is mentally ill.

He has refused to co-operate with investigators since his arrest on suspicion of starting dozens of car fires in and around the city that caused an estimated \$3 million in damage.

Authorities said they believe he was angry over his mother's legal troubles and went on an arson rampage a day after she made an initial court appearance last week.

Burkhardt is also under investigation in his home



► This still photo, taken from video released on Jan. 2 by OnScene.tv, shows arson suspect Harry Burkhardt being arrested in the Hollywood section of Los Angeles.

country of Germany for a house fire north of Frankfurt days before he travelled to the U.S. in October.

The fire at the house, which belonged to the Burkhardt family, has been ruled an arson, Marburg prosecutors' spokeswoman Annemarie Wied said.

Burkhardt did not live in the area, but his name surfaced as a suspect after he filed an insurance claim shortly after the fire, Wied said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mother in trouble

- **Harry Burkhardt's mother,** Dorothee Burkhardt, is charged in Germany with 19 counts of fraud, including failing to pay for a 2004 breast-augmentation surgery and pilfering security deposits from renters.
- **A Frankfurt court** spokesman said Dorothee will go on trial for the fraud charges once she is extradited.

Canadian's death to be thoroughly probed, Mexican police say

Mexican police have promised a thorough investigation into the shooting death of a B.C. man during an apparent home invasion.

Police say Robin Wood,

67, of Salt Spring Island, B.C., was killed Tuesday when he stood up to two suspects who tried to rob a friend's home in Melaque, south of Puerto Vallarta.

"He struggled with the attacker, he resisted the robbery, and he was shot in the chest," Hugo Flores, of the Cihuatlan municipal police, said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Suspected barbecue-fork bandit put behind bars

London, Ont., police have arrested a man believed to be a barbecue-fork-wielding, cab-hopping bandit.

Jermaine Oates, 26, of London was arrested Tuesday after a witness saw him take a cab from the scene of a 10:25 a.m. robbery at Bank of Montreal, 555 Hamilton Rd.

Const. Dennis Rivest said the taxi was stopped a short distance from the bank.

Inside, officers found Oates and stolen cash.

Police also found evidence linking Oates to a Sunday robbery during which he reportedly threatened a clerk at Goody's Variety Store, 10 Hawthorne Rd., with a barbecue fork.

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Mubarak instigated killings: Prosecutor

The prosecution in the Hosni Mubarak trial said on Wednesday it has concluded that Egypt's ex-president, his security chief and six top police officers were the "actual instigators" of the killing of more than 800 protesters during last year's popular uprising.

Mubarak and his seven co-defendants are facing charges of complicity in the killings and could face the death penalty if convicted.

Wednesday's hearing co-

incided with the second day of voting in the third and final round of parliamentary elections that began on Nov. 28. Even before the final round, Islamists led by the Muslim Brotherhood, Egypt's largest political group, were assured a majority in the legislature.

They are likely to bolster their gains in the final round, since many of the nine provinces voting have been Islamist strongholds.

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Argentina's president recovering after surgery

Argentina's president was awake and recovering Wednesday after a three-and-a-half-hour operation to remove her cancerous thyroid gland.

Cristina Fernandez's surgery went without complications and all her vital signs were good, her spokesman Alfredo Scocimarro announced, prompting cheers and applause from supporters gathered outside the hospital.

Doctors had expected a routine surgery and predicted a complete cure without chemotherapy, since preoperative tests showed the cancer had not spread beyond a nodule on



► Cristina Fernandez

the right side of her thyroid gland.

Vice-President Amado Boudou was put in charge before the operation, and will remain as the country's constitutional leader for 20 more days while Fernandez takes medical leave, the president's office said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Racist U.K. killers jailed for decades-old murder

► Two white men sentenced for 1993 killing of black teenager

A young black man lay dying in a south London bus stop. His friend called frantically for help while a gang of white teenagers who had stabbed him ran off. Two members of that gang were sentenced Wednesday for the 1993 murder of Stephen Lawrence, but three more remain at large.

Judge Colman Treacy Wednesday sentenced Gary Dobson to at least 15 years and two months in jail, and David Norris to at least 14 years and three months for the murder of the teenager, and urged police to continue looking for new leads in the case.

He told the men they were guilty of "a terrible and evil crime" committed out of blind hatred.

"A totally innocent 18-year-old youth on the threshold of a promising life was brutally cut down in the street in front of eye witnesses by a racist thug-gang," Treacy said. "You were both members of that gang."

Police, who have been accused in the last two decades of incompetence and racism in the way they handled the murder in-

quiry, vowed Wednesday to continue to hunt for the remaining killers.

"The other people involved in the murder of Stephen Lawrence should not rest easily in their beds," said Bernard Hogan-Howe, commissioner of London's Metropolitan Police.

The saga of Lawrence's murder, and his parents' long quest for justice in the face of police indifference, has for many come to symbolize Britain's lingering racial trauma.

It has embarrassed Scotland Yard, which was found by an official inquiry to be guilty of systematic racism. And while Lawrence's family said it was pleased with the convictions, it said justice will not be served until all the killers face trial.

Lawrence's father Neville said the sentencing of Dobson and Norris for his son's murder was "only one step in a long, long journey."

Dobson and Norris were part of a notorious gang that terrorized part of south London, and many people told police in the days following Lawrence's death who his killers were



► Stephen Lawrence in an undated family photo.

likely to be.

But the police failed to act until Lawrence's parents held a news conference to criticize the way the police had handled the case. It was the first salvo in a long battle the Lawrence family were to fight with police and courts.

The sheer length of time it has taken to prosecute the case has taken its toll. Lawrence's parents divorced six years after his

death.

And Britain's police forces still struggle to convince ethnic minorities that they handle cases with sensitivity. The parents of Indian student Anuj Bidve, who was shot and killed on a night out in Salford, north-east England on Dec. 26, complained that they learned about their son's death from Facebook before British police contacted them. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Germany, Portugal borrow to ease crisis

- Italy and Netherlands also managed to sell debt
- Italy has \$69 billion in expiring debt to auction off

Europe won some further modest respite from its debt crisis Wednesday as Germany and Portugal became the latest countries to borrow with relative ease ahead of a hazard-filled few weeks for the eurozone.

Both countries saw their borrowing costs dip at auctions, in a further sign that investors may have temporarily put some of their concerns to one side at the start of the new year in the wake of fairly buoyant U.S. economic data.

Germany, the biggest contributor in Europe's bailouts, managed to sell \$5.3 billion US in its benchmark 10-year bonds Wednesday at an average yield of 1.93 per cent, down on the previous 1.98 per

cent it had to pay. But demand barely covered the bonds on offer. Portugal, bailed out last April after being locked out of international markets, paid a lower interest rate to borrow \$1.3 billion in three-month treasury bills.

Eurozone governments are struggling to convince financial markets that indebted governments will not default and should be able to borrow at affordable rates to repay debts. Greece, Ireland and Portugal have needed bailouts, while much larger Italy and Spain have also seen their borrowing costs rise.

Further trouble could come from a slowing eurozone economy. Many economists predict an outright

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recession, which would be two quarters of negative growth.

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Next. In Line



► In this photo from November, Scott Thompson, then president of PayPal, speaks at the Web 2.0 Summit in San Francisco.

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Yahoo picks its new CEO

Yahoo Inc. has named Scott Thompson as its new CEO. The company has been without a permanent CEO since September. It fired Carol Bartz after losing patience with her attempts to turn around the company during her two-and-a-half-year tenure.

Prepare to work longer for less payoff

The deteriorating health of Canadian pensions in 2011 is likely to convince more employers to shift burdens to employees this year and force an increase in retirement ages, according to pension consulting firm Towers Watson.

The company said that low interest rates and plunging stock markets weighed heavily on defined-benefit pension plans, which guarantee a level of post-retirement income.

If pension-plan values do not recover over the long term, retirees may face lower pensions and benefits.

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16 Statistics Canada research found that a 50-year-old worker in 2008 could expect to stay in the labour force another 16 years — 3.5 years longer than in the mid-1990s.

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Bankruptcy to save jobs: CEO

The head of one of Canada's last two remaining asbestos mines said Wednesday that declaring bankruptcy is the only way the cash-strapped operation has a chance of

saving its workers' jobs.

Simon Dupere, president and CEO of Quebec-based LAB Chrysotile, said in an interview that he's confident many of the 350 jobs at the mine will be saved.

Dupere said the company's current financial situation made it impossible to continue operations. "We have a problem with fixed

costs and this will be resolved with the (bankruptcy)." One possibility that would allow the mine to resume production would be the opening of access to an asbestos deposit that is currently blocked. While workers were surprised, the union says the possibility of a recovery provides hope.

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OF MICE AND THE MAN WHO LOVES THEM

HE SAYS ...

JOHN MAZEROLLE
METRO



It is a forbidden love, frowned upon by the world, and it is a love brought about by fate: Of all the drywall joints in all the townhouses in all the world, it chewed into mine.

And if loving something means wanting it to be free, then I'll squeak it from the rooftops — I love my mouse.

Don't misunderstand: I realize that mice are disease-ridden vermin, which is why Mickey always wore white gloves — for safety's sake.

I'm aware that it's hard to endorse a creature that has used millions of years of evolutionary knowledge to perfect the art of pooping on your counter top.

And, personally, I'm annoyed that the little guy can find enough food in my apartment to survive even though

I can't seem to, no matter how many times I open the fridge.

But, despite all that, I must love the mouse.

Why? Because I can't deal with the alternative.

As a journalist, I often worry that I'm jaded. Cover enough accidents and murders and Vic Toews, and eventually you get so cynical you can talk like this to a stranger: "I know this is a difficult time, but how did you FEEL when your dog fell into the threshers? Oh, don't cry. Please wait until the

camera gets here."

But that worry evaporated last winter. I had a mouse back then, you see.

And so I bought glue traps, because the packaging said it was "humane" and it showed a cartoon mouse looking annoyed in the glue, as if it were going to miss its dinner with Speedy, Mickey and Mighty. Why, this was going to be fun!

Well, I don't want to get too gruesome about what happened, but the Gadhafi family would have been appalled. While the mouse squeaked at the same volume as the girl being eaten at the beginning of Jaws, I frantically ran outside with him, promising freedom.

I poured water on him — that's what the packaging said to do — and watched hopefully (run little buddy!) as he stopped moving entirely. Yes, I waterboarded the mouse.

And as I stood over his lifeless body, I vowed then and there that I would only love all the helpless rodents of the world. So, as you can see, I need to love the new mouse.

And if I must kill him, I will at least talk to its family, using all my compassion and empathy. Because I know this is a difficult time.

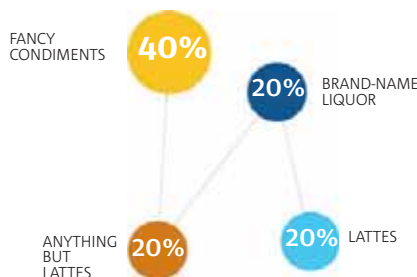
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I think I love the mouse in my apartment.
It's not the love between a man and a woman, exactly, because I don't know its gender. But it feels right.



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The UN says we're set for another volatile year in food prices. What are you willing to give up if you have to pay more for dinner?



Local tweets



@herohill: So when is Kevin Smith coming to Halifax to reunite the original cast of Street Cents? That's what I want to know.

@a_ashkan: Cold, windy Halifax days like this make me wish I didn't have a face
#MoustacheHairsFrozen

@BrettenHannam: Halifax metro transit—the worst way of travel if you intend to be anywhere on time or in one piece.

@djtwoo: Who will step up and open a venue in Halifax. Any of you have money burning a hole in your pocket?

@ns_mma: #Lego is still on here at the MMA until Jan 28th! What an amazing display this year! Have you seen it yet? #halifax

@EvenStrengthQ: Halifax Mooseheads fans are asked to wear white on Friday night when the team hosts the PEI Rocket. They will wear traditional white jerseys

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Art attack ... by kids



Kids' stickers create artwork

QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA. If you want that statement-making design to jazz up your home interior, then perhaps look no further!

One artist has created a work where children can express themselves using coloured stickers. Yayoi Kusama's Obliteration Room is currently on display at the Queensland Art Gallery.

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"With just one polka-dot, nothing can be achieved."

YAYOI KUSAMA'S CANDID REMARKS ON THE MEANING OF HER ART

Boring room or blank canvas

INTERACTIVE ART. Curators suggest this sterile white room is a critique of everyday life drained of colour. But at the same time they say this colourless space acts "as a blank canvas to be invigorated — or 'obliterated,' changing measurably over time as the dots accumulate as a result of thousands of collaborators."

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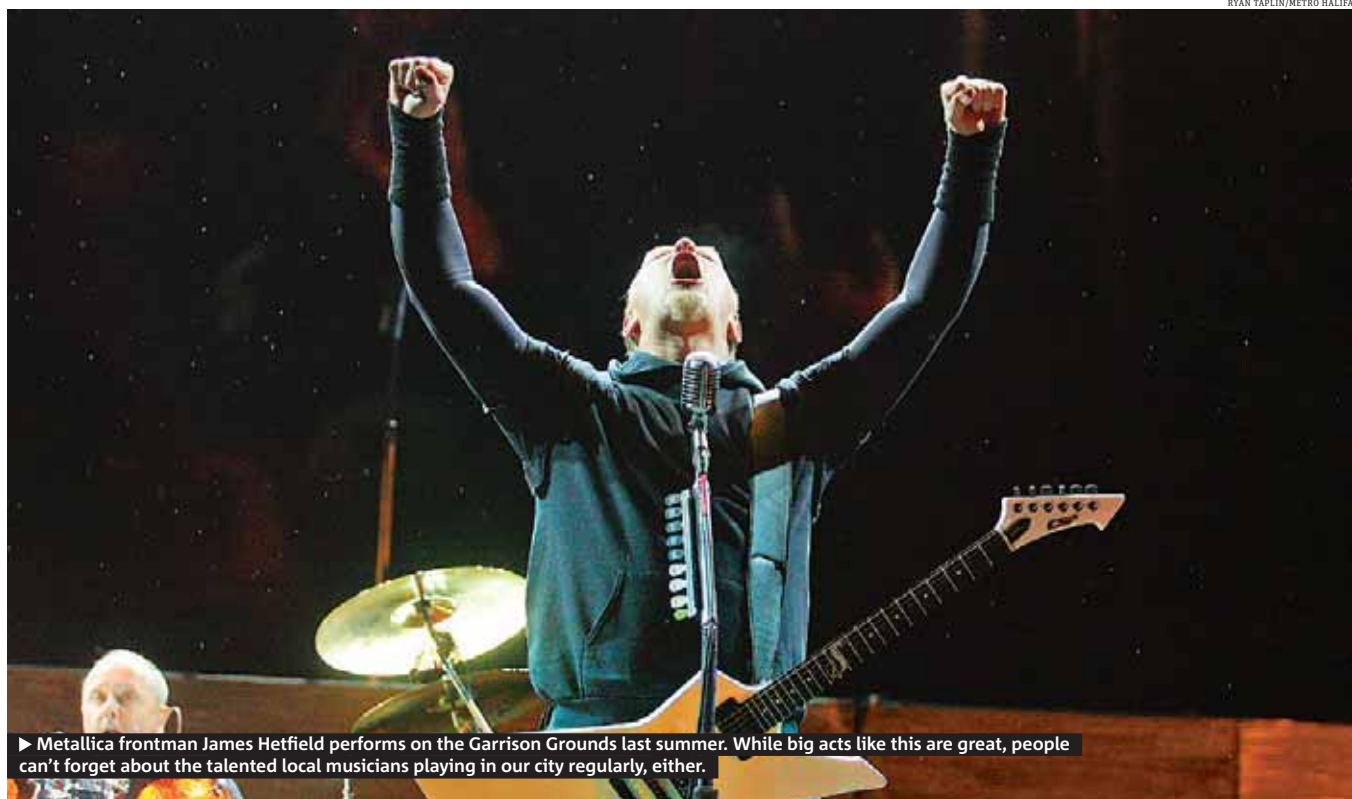
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Donald Trump



Mob boss widow Victoria Gotti, singer Clay Aiken and IndyCar champ Michael Andretti are on tap for the next edition of NBC's *Celebrity Apprentice*. Host Donald Trump announced the new batch of contenders and they also include Teresa Giudice, comedian Lisa Lampanelli, former Miss Universe Dayana Mendoza, rock star Dee Snider and America Chopper star Paul Teutul Sr.

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► Metallica frontman James Hetfield performs on the Garrison Grounds last summer. While big acts like this are great, people can't forget about the talented local musicians playing in our city regularly, either.

Support local musicians

► Time to get out on the town and show your support for the music that represents you

BACKSTAGE PASS

JENNA CONTER
METRO HALIFAX

Last year proved yet again that underdog Halifax can play with the big boys. The caliber of local talent, like Carmen Townsend, Rich Aucoin and Ben Caplan, has turned international

heads towards the little peninsula that could.

Sadly, the infrastructure that nurtured our talented few have begun to unravel and fray.

"With venues dropping to the waste side, artists are trying to take care of themselves," Troy Arseneault, the talent booker at The Seahorse and board member with Music Nova Scotia, tells me.

"The couple of years being part of the Seahorse and knowing the struggles we face, we work real-

ly hard to keep the doors open."

Though Citadel Hill continues to rock annually, bringing in big names like last season's Metallica show, things are not always what they seem with sometimes low-ticket sales and scandalous money woes. Winning the \$25 billion shipbuilding contract insures hope for the future in Halifax. The mere thought of the inevitable financial ripple effect consummated in an economic joy felt around

the province. However, music industry insiders wonder what will be left to fund when the ships do start here.

"I think in four or five years if we can all still be here and still have a downtown, it's going to be great. I guess I'm fearful that it might not come fast enough," Arseneault warned.

Watching venues like Tribeca lose the on-going battle with the liquor board and the fire marshal, Arseneault hopes

2012 will provide the resolve to reaffirm our commitment to wholly participate in our downtown.

"There's downtown culture that can improve if you come out when the doors open," he said. "It would be better for the music industry as a whole."

To safeguard our hopes for the future, we have to maintain the momentum through 2012 and motivate ourselves to get out and support our artists.

Slipstreaming into 2012

► Bonnie Raitt prepares to release her first album in nearly seven years

Bonnie Raitt is releasing a new album in 2012, her first in seven years.

Slipstream, out April 10, follows a long break from studio work for the Grammy-winning Rock and Roll Hall of Fame member. She lost her parents, her brother

and her best friend.

"I hadn't stopped moving in a very long time so I really wanted to take a total break and not concentrate on making a new record or what I was going to do next," Raitt said. "So that was really valuable be-

cause I waited until I was really ready to come back."

Slipstream is the 62-year-old slide guitarist's first album since 2005's *Souls Alike*, and will be the first release on her own record label, Redwing Records. The 12-track al-

bum will feature four songs recorded with producer Joe Henry and his musicians, which she describes as experimental. The remainder of the album is self-produced with her touring band.

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► Bonnie Raitt

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NY-based grocery yanks, then re-stores, Alec Baldwin ads after support for actor.

The horrors of high school

► **My Babysitter's a Vampire comes to Canada**
► **It's a supernatural spin on the trials of being a teen**

Debuting in Canada this week is Teletoon's *My Babysitter's a Vampire*, a younger-skewing take on the monsters-meets-hormones genre also seen in the *Twilight* film franchise, the campy *Space Comedy* Todd and the *Book of Pure Evil*, and CTV Two's *The Vampire Diaries*.

Toronto-bred star Matthew Knight, who plays earnest 14-year-old Ethan, says he hopes young viewers can learn a lesson or two as his show draws over-the-top parallels between the eternal battle of good and evil and the trials of growing up. "I kind of feel like it makes kids ... feel like their (problems) are not the end of the world and they can get through it," 17-year-old Knight says of the show's weekly supernatural calamities.

The series' over-the-top hijinks — which include resurrecting dead family pets and navigating a suspicious school blood drive — are all in service of putting common teen anxieties into perspective, adds co-star Atticus Mitchell, who plays



► The series *My Babysitter's a Vampire* is based on a TV movie of the same name.

Ethan's trouble-making best friend Benny.

The new series is based on the TV movie of the same name, which centred on the awkward Ethan, his precocious little sister Jane and his mischievous pal Benny. In that 2010 comedy, billed as Teletoon's first original live action feature, Ethan's hopes of shedding his geek status are thwarted when his mom decides he's not mature enough to watch Jane and hires a

babysitter from his school.

Ethan is mortified when it turns out to be his long-time crush Sarah, played by Vanessa Morgan, who just happens to be a newly formed vampire. "It's definitely a little bit lighter in the way that it's shot and the way the characters deal with it and just more family friendly," says Knight.

My Babysitter's a Vampire debuts Thursday on Teletoon.

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A human tale

► **History channel to debut a miniseries on mankind**

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After its successful series on the history of America in 2010, television's History channel is setting its sights even higher.

The network said Tuesday that a 12-hour miniseries, *Mankind the Story of All of Us*, will debut late this year. History, seen in more than 300 million homes worldwide, will offer different versions of the series in different parts of the world, the first time it has ever done that.

America the Story of Us hadn't even concluded when History executives, impressed by its ratings, began talking about what to do next, said Nancy Dubuc, the network's president and general manager. "Rather than take a slice of the America story and do something more in depth on that, we decided to go bigger and broader," she said.

The new series starts with the Big Bang and traces the development of humans on a planet where the vast majority of species go extinct, said Jane Root, the project's executive producer.

Root described it as a "real action-adventure" project, one that encompasses astronomy, geology and other sciences along with



► *Mankind the Story of All of Us* traces the development of humans on earth.

Ratings giant

► The America miniseries was the most-watched special ever on History, with 5.7 million people

watching the first episode and nearly 40 million people in total watching some part of it, the Nielsen ratings company said.

history. The series traces the development of tools and the construction of the pyramids. Root said the production tries to make viewers aware of what it felt like, for instance, to set sail for distant lands on a ship when the common belief was the world was flat.

Root said she was surprised to discover the amount of connections among cultures in ancient times, like when Vikings visited China and fought with people in what is now

Canada, each before the time of Christopher Columbus. "We all grow up in a place where we learn just our history," she said. "To try to bring it all together and yet still make it a real exciting story of how humans made it is a real challenge."

Air dates have not been set for the series, which will stretch over six days, but it will be within the last three months of 2012, the network said.

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Celebrity tweets



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@Joan_Rivers

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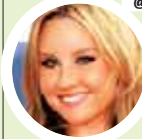


@mradamscott



The Girl With The Dragon Tattoo is super funny.

@AmandaBynes



Not tweeting is the new tweeting.

Running back to The Running Man?

After reconnecting with estranged husband Arnold Schwarzenegger over the holidays, Maria Shriver is reportedly reconsidering her planned divorce from the former California governor, according to OK! Magazine.

"She's definitely having second thoughts about going ahead with the divorce," says a source close to the family,

who adds that Shriver's friends aren't too pleased with the latest development: "All her friends are up in arms that she's considering a reunion," the source says.

"She's close friends with Oprah (Winfrey), who would never encourage her to go back to a man who fathered a child with the housekeeper."

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Maria Shriver

Timberlake engaged?

► Singer proposes to Jessica Biel on top of mountain, according to sources

After quietly getting back together in 2011, Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel have reportedly gotten engaged just as quietly.

Sources tells Us Weekly that Timberlake popped the question on top of a mountain in Jackson, Wyoming, during a snowboarding vacation.

"Justin knows how much she loves snowboarding and the mountains, so it was the perfect place," the source says.

"He knew it was the right time to propose." The pair broke up briefly last year, and "when they reunited, they had a conversation about taking the next step," the source says. ● METRO



► Jessica Biel and Justin Timberlake

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Mendes hangs with Gosling's mom

If there were any doubts that Ryan Gosling and Eva Mendes were getting serious, their recent behaviour should put them to rest.

While visiting New York, Gosling reportedly took Mendes to the movies along with his mother, according to People magazine.

"They all hung out and went to the movies together," a source says.

"Ryan and Eva seemed very happy."

And they seemed even happier before arriving in New York, while still at the airport in Los Angeles.

"They kept kissing and



► Ryan Gosling

hugging while they waited to board their flight," says a source.

"Eva looked gorgeous and kept smiling."

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Cannon suffers kidney failure

Nick Cannon was hospitalized this week in Colorado for kidney failure, wife Mariah Carey revealed on Twitter. "Please pray for Nick as he's fighting to recover from a mild kidney failure," Carey wrote in a post accompanied by a photo of the pair in a hospital bed. The singer noted that a visit to the hospital seems to be an annual tradition for the couple: "Last year it was me attached to the machines," she wrote, referring to the birth of their twins, "and Nick was there with me through it."

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Dewey in the dark winter

► It's January and it's cold and dry ► Yes this is obvious, but the fixes for your chapped skin may not be ► Try these tips from dermatologists to save your skin from the rough season ahead

Use a conditioner in your hair more frequently during the winter.

Showers

Don't take extra hot showers. As much as you want the comfort of that heat when it's chilly, there's less moisture in the air during winter and hot showers can further dehydrate your skin, says Dr. Neil Sadick, clinical professor of dermatology at Weill Cornell Medical College in New York.

"Make showers as tepid as you can tolerate," he says. If you can't stand the chill, find a space heater safe for bathroom use.

Moisturizing is so important this time of year because it protects the outer layer from winter's wrath while retaining natural moisture from within.

Hair and nails

Don't ignore hair and nails. They're made of the same compounds as skin and crack in similar fashion, says Dr. Alicia Zalka, a dermatology professor at Yale. "I don't think people realize that when nails split it's 90 per cent from lack of proper moisture." B vitamin supplements can improve skin, hair and nails during winter.

"They're better for the skin when ingested, rather than when you put them on the skin topically," Zalka says.

"If you've got the driest of dry skin, the best defence for that is a couple of days of plain old Vaseline."

DR. ALICIA ZALKA, ASSOCIATE CLINICAL PROFESSOR OF DERMATOLOGY AT YALE

Stay away from products that contain detergents because they can remove protective, essential oils.

"Humidify the air in your home, especially in your bedroom so that healing and repair can take place while you sleep."

DR. DAVID ORENTREICH
CLINIQUE DERMATOLOGIST

Don't assume that drinking water or replacing fluids internally is enough to keep your skin healthy during cold weather.

Sunblock

Don't forget sunblock. It's just as important during winter as it is in summer, experts say, especially during winter sports like skiing at high altitude.

"In the winter it feels cold because very little infrared light reaches the earth," Dr. David Orentreich says. "The opposite is true in the summer. However, in the winter ultraviolet light is 90 per cent as strong as it is in the summer but since we can't feel or see it we mistakenly think it's absent, too."

Application of a broad-band screen once a day should suffice, Sadick says. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Style pick

Get the boot

A nearly century-old hunting boot is catching on with a younger generation that sees the utilitarian footwear as hip.

L.L. Bean's familiar duck boot with leather uppers and rubber soles — designed for slogging through mud and snow — has become something of a fashion statement owing to its newfound popularity on college campuses, the company says. Another reason is new styles, including something Leon Leonwood Bean surely never envisioned in 1912: bright blue and pink leather, new for spring.

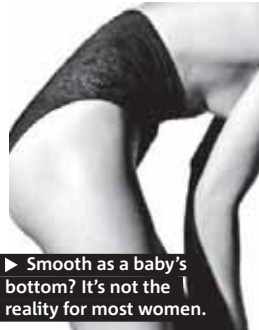
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► L.L. Bean's duck boot

Stand firm when it comes to cellulite

SCOPE BEAUTY



► Smooth as a baby's bottom? It's not the reality for most women.

THE KIT

By Deborah Fulsang

"Eighty-five per cent of women have cellulite and the 15 per cent that don't, think they do," says Dr. Shimon Eckhouse, The Kit's expert for face advisor. His company explores light-based technology to target and treat the dreaded orange-peel skin.

No wonder the industry is booming. One new report claimed sales for cellulite products hit the \$11.8-million mark last year in the United States. Safe to say the category is healthy here in Canada, too.

But beware, says Dr. Lisa Kellett, a dermatologist in Toronto, there's no magic bullet. "Topicals are not drugs. They're not go-

ing to go down to a level that they're going to get rid of cellulite," she says. "They might plump up the skin temporarily, much like if you went home and took a loofah to your skin and scrubbed at it. You could cause swelling in the skin to improve the appearance."

The bottom line on cellulite? "There is no cure." You can, however, make

surface improvements. And for many, of course, appearances count.

Tip: Be sure to exfoliate before applying your chosen smoothing cream. A good scrub preps the skin to allow active ingredients to perform at their max.

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Red carpet starlets ready to give the time to do 1950s style up right

Hot new decor trends

► Design expert Karl Lohnes tells us what's new and fresh for 2012

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Trends change yearly. Here's four of the most popular ones for 2012.

LARGE FLORAL PATTERNS

Flowers are back; they are bright and big and look modern.

Add a large floral print to just a headboard in the bedroom, the back panel of a chair or Euro-sized pillow shams in the living room for a burst of colour this year.

Up-cycling

► Last year we painted old dressers trendy colours, and this year it's about investing in good stuff. Find an antique chair and upholster it with a cashmere/wool blend fabric, have a custom lampshade made or add luxe trims to a set of old velvet drapes. It's the small investments that will offer up classic style.



► Flower sutra artwork, CB2 stores



► Curvy-lined furniture helps to round out a room. Amelie sofa in blazing poppies fabric; \$3,300, Anthropologie

CURVY FURNITURE

Low, deep and lounge-like was all the rage last year for sofas and chairs.

For those with enough strength (or a crane) to get out of these you can say goodbye and sit on something more comfortable. Traditional style is

making a return and curvy-lined furniture is feeling most welcome after two decades of square-edged, hotel-inspired furnishings. Look for the classic camel-back shaped sofas and organic shaped side tables to round out your rooms.



► Orange tones will dominate wall colours for 2012. Massada; Benjamin Moore Paints

ORANGE

Last year we said goodbye to the suburban beiges and honey browns and replaced it with cooler tones like sea glass and pale greys. This year it's all about being optimistic; happy colours and

every shade of orange is topping the list for paint colours. From pale rust to sherbert tangerine, this citrus colour is topping 2012's list for painted walls.

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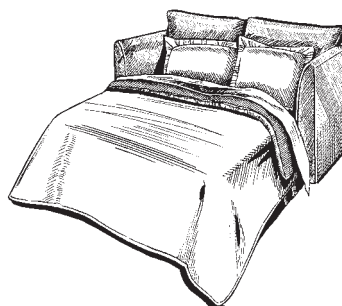
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A new meal for a new year

► In her cookbook *My Father's Daughter*, movie star turned domestic goddess Gwyneth Paltrow shares some delicious and healthy recipes

Preparation:

1 Heat the olive oil in a large pot over medium heat. Add the fennel and cook for 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add the

onion and garlic. Lower heat and cook for half an hour, stirring here and there. A little colour is OK, but you want the vegetables to get soft

and sweet. Add crushed chillies, oregano and pepper and cook for a minute. Add the beans and stock, bring to the boil, lower to a simmer,

add salt to taste and let cook on low heat for 1 hour. Stir in the kale and cook for 7 minutes. Ladle into four bowls, drizzle with oil and serve.

Ingredients:

- 3 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
- 1 fennel bulb, stems and fronds removed for another use, bulb thinly sliced
- 1 large onion, peeled and thinly sliced
- Pinch crushed chillies
- ¼ tsp dried oregano
- ¼ tsp freshly ground black pepper

- 410 g can cannelloni beans, rinsed and drained
- Vegetable stock
- Coarse salt
- 1 bunch kale, stems discarded and leaves torn into bite-sized pieces



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Rainmen thriving with defensive philosophy: Owner

This isn't the first time Andre Levingston has been enthusiastic about his Halifax Rainmen. But this time around, he has a franchise record eight-game winning streak to back him up.

"I'm excited about where we are," the Rainmen owner said this week. "The guys practise hard, they look forward to prac-

tising, and I think this is the best team we've ever had."

The Rainmen are off to the best start in franchise history, tied for second in the National Basketball League of Canada at 11-4 heading into Thursday's 7 p.m. home game against the Oshawa Power.

While the Rainmen lead

the league in scoring by a country mile with 108.4 points per game average, it's their fifth overall defence — 100.7 points per game — that Levingston credits for their success.

"All the guys have bought into coach's philosophy — they all know if they don't play defence, they won't get on the

court," Levingston said.

Some perspective on the Rainmen's winning streak is needed. Six of the eight wins have come against the NBL Canada's cellar-dwelling Power (7-15), Summerside Storm (7-11) and Moncton Miracles (3-14).

Following Thursday's game against Oshawa, the Rainmen visit the first-

place London Lightning (14-4) on Saturday for a challenging test.

"You're not just going to luck out and beat London ... You have to work to beat them," Levingston said. "If we can keep doing what we've been doing and get better at it, I think it'll be a pretty good game."

● MATTHEW WUEST



► Former Huskies head coach Steve Sumarah.

No rush in Huskies' search for head coach

► A month has passed since Huskies fired Steve Sumarah ► Sarty hopes new head coach will lead Saint Mary's to first Vanier Cup win since 2002



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The Saint Mary's Huskies are still more than a month away from naming a new football head coach.

On Wednesday Athletic director Steve Sarty, who fired Steve Sumarah after six seasons on Dec. 5, said the job posting closes on Jan. 13 but that the interview process will take Saint Mary's to "ideally mid-February" before a hiring is announced.

"We've had quite a few

applicants, and more are coming in on a daily basis," Sarty said. "We'll create a long list of people we'll do a first interview with, and then we'll shortlist it from there."

Although Saint Mary's will be without a head coach for more than two months, Sarty said it won't hurt the recruiting process.

Special teams coordinator Pierre Lefebvre and defensive coordinator Devin Murphy are co-directors of recruiting, having previously worked with Sumarah in the same role. In the ab-

sence of a head coach, Sarty has joined them in the recruiting process.

"We haven't missed a beat on recruiting," Sarty said. "We've shared the responsibility. I've even called some recruits on my own, and it's full-speed ahead."

Sarty said the new head coach needs to have "good leadership skills, be a strong communicator, and a person who genuinely cares about the players and the program."

But he said CIS head

coaching experience isn't required.

"Look no further than Steve Sumarah, who had never been a head coach before he came here, and he did a fine job, and before him was Blake Nill, who had not been a CIS head coach before, and obviously has gone on to do a great job," Sarty said. "We're going to look at the whole package of what they bring as a person, not just as a head coach, and what we see as the potential of moving forward with Huskies football."

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	QM/JHL			
	W	L	T	P
*QUEBEC	28	7	4	60
*SAINT JOHN	29	12	2	60
*B.-BOISBRIAND	21	16	2	44
SHAWINIGAN	26	10	4	56
HALIFAX	24	11	4	52
VICTORIAVILLE	24	13	2	50
RIMOUSKI	24	18	0	48
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BATHURST	20	18	4	44
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- Friday, P.E.I. at Halifax, 7 p.m.
- Saturday, Saint John at Halifax, 7 p.m.

SCORING LEADERS

	GP	G	A	PTS
Y. GOURDE, VIC.	39	23	49	72
Z. O'BRIEN, BAT.	41	33	35	68
S. TRUDEAU, BAT.	42	19	47	66
M. BISSONNETTE, BAT.	42	30	30	60
M. GRIGORENKO, QUE.	36	25	33	58
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SAINT JOHN	9	10	.474	5.5
SUMMERSIDE	7	11	.389	7.0
OSHAWA	7	15	.318	9.0
MONCTON	3	14	.176	10.5

UPCOMING GAMES

- Thursday, Oshawa at Halifax, 7 p.m.
- Saturday, Halifax at London, 8 p.m.

SCORING LEADERS

	GP	PPG
A. ANDERSON, S.J.	19	20.0
R. HOLMES, QUE.	18	17.9
L. WRIGHT, HFX.	15	17.8
G. PLUMMER, S.J.	11	17.8
M. WILLIAMS, SUM.	18	17.7
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D. BOWDEN, LON.	14	16.3
D. WONGE, MCTN.	17	16.2
A. TISBY, S.J.	19	15.9

Jets floored by Eller's four

- ▶ Canadiens forward the difference with spectacular four-goal night
- ▶ Winnipeg remains a point out of Eastern Conference playoff spot



▶ Canadiens forward Lars Eller scores a penalty-shot goal on Jets goalie Chris Mason during the third period in Montreal.

Wednesday night

Lars Eller scored his fourth goal of the game with a spin-o-rama move on a penalty shot and added an assist Wednesday night as the Canadiens picked up only their second win in nine games with a 7-3 victory over the Winnipeg Jets in Montreal.

Josh Gorges, Tomas Kaberle and Tomas Plekanec also scored for the Canadiens (15-18-7), who got their first win on home ice for new coach Randy Cunneyworth.

Hats rained down onto the Bell Centre ice after Eller, whose previous high was a two-point game, took a feed from Andrei Kostitsyn and scored into an open side for Montreal's third goal in a 50-second span early in the third period.

Then at the 11-minute mark, the Danish centre

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CANADIENS	JETS

was grabbed from behind by Ron Hainsey on a break to the net and was awarded a penalty shot. Eller skated to the crease, spun around and slid a backhand past Chris Mason before tumbling over the goalie for his fourth of the night.

Tim Stapleton, Blake Wheeler and Andrew Ladd scored for Winnipeg (19-15-5), which had a three-game

winning streak snapped. Jets starter Ondrej Pavelec was pulled at 6:44 of the third after surrendering six goals on 24 shots.

Eller has five goals and two assists in four games since Cunneyworth made him a healthy scratch for a 4-0 loss in Winnipeg on Dec. 22. Eller's seven goals equals his total of last season.

With a goal and an assist, Wheeler now has four goals and five helpers during a six-game points streak.

Kaberle broke a 73-game goal drought when he took a feed from Travis Moen and slapped in his first as a member of the Canadiens 5:32 into the second.

Teams named the Winnipeg Jets have not won in Montreal since March 14, 1985, and have lost 14 in a row. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

NHL WINTER CLASSIC

Tortorella fined for ref comments

Too bad HBO's 24/7 cameras were packed up. New York Rangers coach John Tortorella had one final Winter Classic sound bite in the aftermath of his

critical comments following an otherwise ideal showcase game:

An apology.

Tortorella told reporters at the team's practice facility Wednesday that he was sorry for calling the officiating in the game "disgusting." "I tainted the Winter Classic with my mouth and I shouldn't have," Tortorella said. "So I

apologize to everyone involved."

Tortorella said he was being sarcastic after New York's 3-2 win over the Philadelphia Flyers on Monday came down to a penalty shot with 20 seconds left.

Tortorella was fined \$30,000 US by the NHL on Wednesday for his comments.

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- 1 Calgary Flames forward Rene Bourque was suspended five games Wednesday for an elbow on Washington Capitals forward Nicklas Backstrom on Tuesday. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**
- 2 Lionel Messi netted a pair of goals in Barcelona's 4-0 win over Osasuna in the Copa del Rey. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**
- 3 Memphis Grizzlies forward Zach Randolph will miss six-to-eight weeks with a torn MCL in his right knee. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Still something to play for

► Canada tries to shake off disappointment of loss to Russia and focus on beating Finland to win the bronze

The disappointment was still in the eyes of the Canadian players a day after their semifinal loss at the world junior hockey championship.

As they prepared to play Finland for the bronze medal, furrowed brows and grim expressions indicated Tuesday's 6-5 loss to Russia was still on their minds.

But they will have to let it go for Canada to avoid finishing out of the medals at the tournament for the first time in 14 years.

Finland, a dark horse which has improved since the competition got underway, will certainly be motivated to win bronze Thursday after falling 8-1 to

Canada in the tournament-opener in Edmonton.

Russia will play for its second straight title in Thursday's gold-medal game against Sweden.

As per his usual practice, Canadian head coach Don Hay wouldn't reveal whether it will be Scott Wedgewood or Mark Visentin in Canada's net Thursday because he tells his starting goalie the night before the game.

While Wedgewood admitted he was sore after Russian defender Alex Khokhlachev crashed into him in the second period Tuesday, he said he would be able to play Thursday.

"You've got to win a



► Canada goalie Scott Wedgewood practises with his teammates on Wednesday.

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game to get a medal now," Wedgewood said Wednesday. "We've got to take pride in that and it still means something to us."

"Ten years from now looking back, you go into that game and don't give it

your all and you walk away with nothing... it's better to have something."

Without the adrenaline that a possible gold medal brings, the Canadians were feeling the slings and arrows of the tournament.

The upper-body injury Scott Harrington suffered in the preliminary round kept him out of Wednesday's practice. Hay didn't sound sure the defenceman would be able to play Thursday.

What's more, Canada will be down to 11 forwards for Thursday's game after faceoff specialist Boone Jenner was suspended for spearing Russian captain Evgeni Kuznetsov in the second period of the semifinal.

In sifting through the wreckage of Canada's gold-medal hopes, the host country's meltdown in the second period versus Russia stands out.

A loss of composure left Canada short-staffed and allowed Russia to score their fifth goal on a power play, which came back to haunt Canada in the third period.

"When players get frustrated they do things they regret," Hay said. "Whether it's misconduct penalties, major penalties or just selfish penalties, you usually regret those type of penalties."

"When you can play with determination, you don't have time to get frustrated. That's what we did in the third. In the second, we played with a little more frustration because it wasn't going our way."

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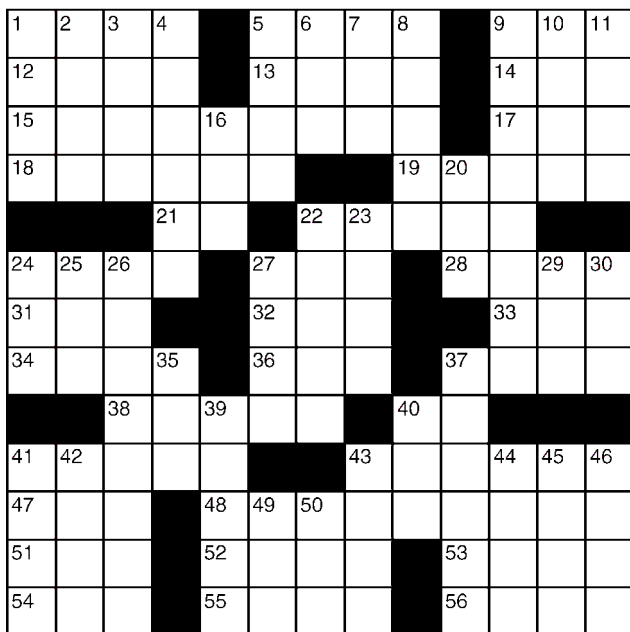
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19 Bank job, e.g.
21 Lumberjack's need
22 India's first PM
24 Picnic invaders
27 "30 Rock" star
28 Recognize
31 Round Table address
32 Director Spike —
33 Dead heat
34 Thick chunk
36 Toss in
37 Snatched
38 High heels, often
40 Battery size
41 Void
43 Big step
47 Evening hour, in a way
48 Dulcimer's shape
51 Egos' counterparts
52 Medal earner
53 Unsigned (Abbr.)
54 Ignited
55 Cushiony
56 Singer Mouskouri
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1 Crazy
2 Shrek, e.g.
3 Burn some
4 Brownish photo
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5 Reach 212 degrees F



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7 Journey segment
8 "The Garden of Earthly Delights" painter
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HER

Today's horoscope

♈ Aries March 21-April 20 You will find yourself caught up in some sort of feud today and being a pugnacious Aries you will probably quite enjoy it.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 The best kind of work is teamwork, so join forces with like-minded people.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 You have taken on too many duties and responsibilities of late, both at home and at work, and need to cut back if you are to avoid exhausting yourself.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 You need a deeper, more serious relationship.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug. 23 Try to remember that it's not all about money and status. Love counts too.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22 This is one of those times when you must take risks and push boundaries. If you don't you may look back one day and regret it.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Like most Libras you rarely get angry, but you will surprise a few people today.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Start early, finish late and focus only on tasks that take you closer to your long-term goals.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Remember that co-operation al-

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♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Life is always a gamble, that's one of the things that makes it so interesting.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18

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♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20.

Mars in your opposite sign is bringing a number of challenges, not least in the guise of people who oppose your ideas and beliefs. But what of it? If your beliefs are correct you have nothing to worry about.

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